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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action mailed February 22, 2002, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Cancel claim 36 without prejudice.~~

~~Rewrite claim 40 such that it reads as follows:~~

40. (Amended) The method of claim 16 wherein said marine vessel includes a rail
extending along a deck of said ship, and wherein the method further comprising the steps of,
before said lifting and transporting step, providing a ramp having a downwardly extending lip

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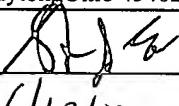
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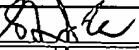
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